

Appl. No. 10/625,372
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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A gear mechanism comprising a means to protect against wrapping that is disposed radially outwardly of a portion of a shaft that is driven by said gear mechanism, wherein said means to protect against wrapping extends between two side components that are disposed on said shaft portion and wherein during operation said means to protect against wrapping is rotatable about such shaft portion.

2. (original) A gear mechanism according to claim 1, wherein said means

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